

In 2004 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Dana Adkins, Host of the popular cable show “Yellow Brick Road”
- Mike and Carol Balasa, Co-Presidents of Palm Springs/Desert Communities Chapter of PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Bisexuals and Transgendered persons)
- Sheila Grattan, Chairwoman of the Palm Springs Homeless Task Force
- Earl Greenburg, Chairman of Transactional Marketing Partners
- Palm Springs Police Commander Mike Hall
- Mark Hogan, Member of the Palm Springs Mounted Police
- Jackie Lee Houston, Owner of CBS Channel 2
- Bob Hoven, Publisher of MegaScene
- Holly Hunt, Student member of the Palm Springs Human Rights Commission
- Palm Springs Police Chief Gary Jeandron
- Dean Lockwood, Executive Director of the Mizell Senior Center
- Harold Matzner, Owner of Spencer’s Restaurant
- David Peet, Marketing Director of Amerinet
- John Jeffrey Rackleff, Former Captain of the Palm Springs Mounted Police
- James Rougely, Director of the Desert Highland Unity Center
- Lori Sarner, President of Pegasus Riding Academy
- Jack Schloeder, President of Greater Palm Springs Pride, Inc.
- Mark and Alan Seymour, Owners of Hunters Video Bar
- Megan Smale and Kimberly Anderson, Founders of a Gay Straight Alliance student club on the Palm Springs High School campus

In 2005 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Kris Benz, President of the American Chamber of Commerce
- Bill Feingold, Former Chair of the Palm Springs Human Rights Commission and the Hate Crimes Task Force
- Joseph Grandits, Director of the food program at Our Lady of Solitude Catholic Church
- Mel Haber, Owner of the Ingleside Inn and Melvyn’s Restaurant
- Dr. Catherine Linn, Chairman of the Palm Springs High School English Department
- Dr. Wayne McKinny, President of Well in the Desert
- Sylvia Zelnys, Former Vice Chair of the Human Rights Commission and member of the Homeless Task Force

In 2006 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Joseph Beaver, Community Activist
- The late Albert L. Bousquet, Community Activist
- John Carlos, Olympian and Civil Rights Advocate
- Palm Springs Police Sgt. Walter Combs
- Jarvis Crawford, Community Center Manager, James O. Jessie Desert Highland Unity Center

- Dr. Christopher Flores, Physician
- Palm Springs Police Officer Bill Hanley
- Palm Springs Police Officer Anthony Harrison
- Clarence Nolan, Raymond Cree Middle School
- Arlene Rosenthal, Community Activist
- Melinda Tremaglio, President of the Palm Springs Area Chapter of NOW
- Rev. Dr. Nick Warner, Pastor of Desert Oasis Chapel
- Ricky Wright, Palm Springs High School Principal

2007 – 2008: It looks like the Commission moved the awards presentation from December to January with awards presented in January 2008 to:

- Joe Aguanno
- Dorothy Bowens
- Richard Cadarette
- Fran Chapman
- Dr. Terri Cobel
- Sharon Doty
- Wesley Eure
- Officer C.J. Hilton
- Dr. Michael Jardula
- Bill Jones
- Phil Kaplan
- Marshall Percy
- Douglass Woodmansee

In 2009 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- The Well in the Desert
- Food In Need of Distribution (F.I.N.D.)
- American Veterans For Equal Rights
- Dr. Sharron Stroud, Founder of Interfaith Ministries Worldwide, Palm Springs
- Stephen Kelly, Host of the weekday radio program “Desert Today” on KPSI
- Dale E. Cook, Jr., Community Development Administrator for the City of Palm Springs
- Mario Lazcano, Member of the Committee Latino
- Dr. Robert C. Sneed, Pastor, Rebirth Temple of Faith in Palm Springs
- Sandra Austin, Executive Director of Family Health and Support Network, a foster care agency located in Palm Desert serving the Coachella Valley and Riverside County

In 2010 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- AIDS Assistance Program
- Desert AIDS Project
- Desert Samaritans for the Elderly
- Salvation Army

- Tolerance Education Center
- Arturo Montes, Fund-raiser for the Desert AIDS Project and other charity organizations
- Lois J. Carson, Executive Director of Community Action Partnership of Riverside County
- Father John S. Connor, Priest at Our Lady of Solitude Church in Coachella
- Stephen G. Hoffmann, Founding President and Chief Executive Officer of Canyon National Bank
- Martin Martinez, Former Director of the Reynaldo J. Carreon Foundation in Indo
- Eileen Stern, Founder of the Hike4Hope and now the 1st Annual Walk Against Hunger

In 2011 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Sergio Carranza, for his work providing housing for the poor
- Golden Rainbow Center
- Elizabeth Miliband, spokesperson on behalf of people living with dementia
- Mizell Senior Center
- Eric Norland, long-time community volunteer
- Palm Springs SunUp Rotary – Shoes The Fit program
- Fern Rudd, Advocate for children with autism
- SAFE Schools
- Phil Stafford, 35-year teacher, retired from Katherine Finchy Elementary School
- Holly Witlow, volunteer working with stroke patients to help them regain their speaking skills
- Sister Gabi Williams, for her work finding ways to provide educational means for the poor

In 2012 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Animal Samaritans of the Coachella Valley
- Christopher Campbell, client administrator, AIDS Assistance Program
- Coachella Valley Sexual Assault Services
- Coachella Valley Volunteers in Medicine
- Eduardo Contreras, Director of Bands at Raymond Cree Middle School
- Cora Crawford, community leader and educator
- Deaf Seniors Foundation -- Palm Springs
- Katherine Finchy Elementary School
- Gilda's Club Desert Cities
- Hidden Harvest
- Barbara and Jerry Keller, philanthropists and supporters of human rights causes throughout the Coachella Valley
- Rabbi Sally Olins of Temple Isaiah in Palm Springs
- Luciano Ramirez and Toñia Bustamante-Ramirez, supporters of human rights
- Ric and Rozene Supple, philanthropists and advocates for human rights

In 2013 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
- Robert D. Ballance for his volunteer work for the LGBT Community Center
- Coachella Valley Repertory for its work on the topic of bullying
- Andrew Eisenmann, visual and performing arts director at Raymond Cree Middle School
- Equality California, a nonprofit civil rights group that advocates for same-sex marriage
- Andrew Green, pastor of St. Paul in the Desert Episcopal Church
- Doug Hairgrove and Warren “Woody” Wood for their Safe Schools initiative and work organizing the Gay Straight Alliances throughout the Coachella Valley
- William G. Kleindienst, former mayor, for his contributions to the City, especially his work with the African American community
- Mattie Leyden for her work on transgender issues
- Andy Linsky for his work both locally and nationally with the Human Rights Campaign and other organizations in the Palm Springs community
- Tracy Piper, Ed.D., Raymond Cree Middle School principal
- Shelter From The Storm

In 2014 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Roy’s Desert Resource Center
- Denise Chappell, special education professional and advocate
- Veterans for Peace
- Trina Parks, actress, arts educator & philanthropist
- David Tallman, United Methodist Church – Feed the Hungry Program
- Ophelia Project, Coachella Valley, mentors young girls
- Congressman Raul Ruiz, M.D., human rights & health care advocate
- YMCA After School Education and Safety Program
- The Desert Sun
- Sidney Craig, humanitarian & volunteer

In 2015 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Big Brothers and Big Sisters of the Desert, a one-on-one mentoring program that matches an adult volunteer with a child who is missing a role model or parental figure in their lives.
- Timothy Bradley, WBO welterweight champion who donates his time and resources to numerous charities throughout the Coachella Valley.
- Tere Romero Britton, the volunteer director of Coachella Valley BookPALS (Performing Artists for Literacy in Schools), which has given away nearly 15,000 books to children from low-income families in the Coachella Valley.
- Carolyn Caldwell, CEO of Desert Regional Medical Center, for her championing of Get Tested Coachella Valley; the Unity Center in the Desert Highland Neighborhood and commitment to affordable, accessible, high-quality healthcare to everyone in the Coachella Valley.

- Get Tested Coachella Valley, a region-wide public health campaign dedicated to dramatically reducing HIV by making voluntary HIV testing standard and routine medical practice and ensuring linkage to care.
- Martha's Village and Kitchen, one of the largest providers of homeless services in the Coachella Valley and Riverside County.
- Mika Moulton, founder of Christopher's Clubhouse in La Quinta after her 10-year-old son was kidnapped and murdered in 1995. Christopher's Clubhouse is dedicated to teaching children safety and self-defense, and in doing so, empowering them to avoid exploitation.
- NestEgg Food Bank (flagship initiative of the Palm Springs LGBT Center), provides free groceries for up to 275 low-income Riverside County households each week.
- Dio Ramirez, MD and Liz Ramirez, RN, who have donated more than 1,400 hours of professional clinical services at the Coachella Valley Volunteers in Medicine free clinic in Indio over the past two years.
- Daniel Reynolds, a volunteer at the Braille Institute, which provides education and technology assistance to its clients.
- Michael Weems, who collects needed items for the homeless, and with the help of many volunteers, distributes Care Bags to those living on the streets around Palm Springs.
- Thomas Smith, president of the Palm Springs Rotary Club, who has more than 30 years of active community service focusing on literacy, youth with disabilities, HIV/AIDS education and prevention, and senior citizen assistance.

In 2016 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- American Legion Post 519, a volunteer veterans service organization which provides community center services and also sponsors a local Boy Scout troop.
- Thomi Clinton for her educational and awareness activities throughout the community on issues specific to those who are transgender.
- Olive Crest for its 40 years of working with families and at-risk youth in the prevention of child abuse.
- Dimitri Halkidis, founder of Boo2bullying Inc, for his work in the community to educate students and faculty.
- Incight for its work in assisting people with disabilities in the areas of education and employment training and adaptive athletics.
- Hank Plante, Emmy award winning journalist serving on the Editorial Board of the Desert Sun, for his support and reporting on human rights.
- Safe House of the Desert for providing emergency shelter, intervention and outreach to youth in crisis. It also educates the community on human trafficking and offers help to the victims of human trafficking.
- Mark Walthour for his work in Desert Highland/Gateway Estates and the Clinton Day of Action and Community Block Grant Program.

In 2017 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Lesley Zerebny, Palm Springs Police Officer, ultimate sacrifice, killed in line of duty.
- Jose "Gil" Vega, Palm Springs Police Officer, ultimate sacrifice, killed in line of duty.
- Bianca Rae, TV News Anchor, Philanthropist. Work with the Bianca Rae foundation, becoming a voice for those couldn't speak. She uniquely uses the voice she has through the media for those in need.
- Will Paige, Publisher Desert Daily Guide. Will has helped countless nonprofit organizations and equality events by promoting them in DDG, providing a voice for the disenfranchised with a platform to educate the community that serves as a resource for nonprofits across the Coachella Valley.
- Lisa Middleton, active Transgender community leader who works tirelessly building bridges within the community and promoting collaborative relationships between neighborhoods and citizens of Palm Springs.
- Some Fabulous Leos, provides fundraising and awareness for numerous nonprofit, equality and local charities and organizations.
- The Victory Squadron, a volunteer team from the PS Air Museum. Many being veterans, they volunteer their time to educate other on America's important past to archive precious documents and artifacts and to share stories that honor the brave people who fought to preserve our freedom.
- Negro Academic Scholarship Fund, fundraise and provide scholarships for further education to numerous economically challenged students and families.
- Xavier College Preparatory High School created a summit focusing on poverty in education, immigration, gender inequality and sustainability. Summit allows the entire Xavier community to reflect on realities which impact the world. Students participate in various processes and programs.

In 2018 Community Service Awards were presented to:

- Lucy Debardeleben & Gail Christian - Palm Springs humanitarians Lucy and Gail are recognized for advocating for women through music. Together, they raise awareness of the diversity and talent of world-class female musicians who traditionally struggle for recognition and employment.
- Ruth Debra - Community organizer and lifelong civil rights advocate. Ruth has been deeply involved in civil rights and peace and justice movements since she was in high school. She is also well known in the community as a founding member of the L-Fund and the first female Chair of the Desert Stonewall Democrats. She also sits on the National Steering Committee for Old Lesbians Organizing for Change.

- Brad Fuhr – Founder and publisher of the Gay Desert Guide. Brad aligns business goals and initiatives with causes and social issues that benefit the wider community. From supporting and promoting youth housing, access to health services along with a variety of social services, Fuhr is always there to lend a hand.
- Goldie Jacoby – Holocaust survivor and volunteer at the Tolerance Education Center. Goldie shares history of surviving the Holocaust during World War II and delivers a message of courage and hope to youth in the community.
- Mike Radford – Founder of the California Highway Patrol toy drive for kids. Officer Radford is recognized for making a difference in the lives of children and families throughout the Coachella Valley.
- Senior Advocates of the Desert – The Coachella Valley’s only non-profit social service organization that is dedicated to exclusively helping low-income seniors obtain the government benefits to which they are entitled. From benefit advocacy to providing emergency financial assistance, their work results in seniors receiving a liveable income, having food in the kitchen, and a safe comfortable place to live.
- Metropolitan Community Church of the Coachella Valley (MCCCV) – MCCCV is recognized for their radical call for acceptance and celebration of human diversity. Since 1968, MCCCV has advocated for equality, human rights and social justice. In addition, the church is well known for being one of the first to perform same-sex marriages and for suing the state of California (first in 1971) to recognize marriage equality.